

PUBLIC NOTICE

SEMINOLE NATION OF OKLAHOMA INDIAN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (ICDBG) PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS FOR FY2014

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT STATEMENT

The Department of Housing and Urban Development has published a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for Indian Community Development Block Grant program for FY2014 by the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), Southern Plains Office of Native American Programs (SPONAP); application deadline is July 29, 2014 for eligible applicants that include Indian Tribes or tribal organizations.

Eligible activities include new housing construction; housing rehabilitation, land acquisition to support new housing, home ownership assistance, public facilities and improvements, economic development and micro enterprise programs. For the SPONAP region, \$13,343,479 has been allocated for the region with a maximum of \$800,000.00 available for each requested project. Funding is awarded competitively so there is no guarantee that the Nation will receive funding.

The Seminole Nation of Oklahoma is considering submitting a proposal for construction under the Public Facilities area for its FY2014 application. The ICDBG project will predominantly serve low and moderate income tribal members through increasing access to services.

Required Statement

No part of the [citizen participation] requirement shall be construed to restrict the responsibility and authority of the [Seminole Nation] for the development of the application and the execution of the grant. Accordingly, the citizen participation requirements of [HUD regulations] do not include concurrence by any person or group in making final determinations on the contents of the application. 24 CFR 1003.604(c)

Publication of Community Development Statement

The Seminole Nation will conduct a meeting for public comment from 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. on July 21, 2014 at Seminole Nation Councilhouse located at the Mekusukey Mission, southwest of Seminole, Oklahoma. The Nation plans to use 100% of the FY14 Indian Community Development Block Grant funds for the project selected at the citizen participation meeting. All interested community members are invited to attend the meeting.

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